In Appomattox Schools

Handicapped get special services

Appomattox County Public Schools provide full services for exceptional students who require special programs because of handicapping conditions. Classes serve students who are mentally retarded, physically handicapped, emotionally disturbed of elementary age, learning disabled, speech impaired, hearing impaired, multiple handicapped or preschool developmentally delayed.

Approximately 300 students have been identified as needing special education services which is provided by fifteen teachers. Legislation enacted by the 1972 session of the Virginia General Assembly requires such a program for all handicapped children, ages 2-21, residing within the Commonwealth. The Standards of Quality require the identification of all exceptional children and program development for each child. Public Law 94-142 requires that a free and appropriate program of education is available to each handicapped student. The local school division eligibility committee screens all referred students and recommends placement in appropriate educational settings. Parents are requested to secure information at the School Board Office if they would like to know more about the programs. The telephone number is 352-8251.

Developmentally delayed children of pre-school age are those who were born with or have acquired physical or mental conditions which can handicap their normal growth and development. Fortunately many of these conditions can be corrected if the problems are recognized early and help is provided. Children between the ages of two and five are eligible for services. Parents who feel their children may be slower than normal in body movement, communication, thinking, self-help skills and social behavior are urged to seek information from the School Board Office.

Children who are educable mentally retarded are those who reveal a reduced rate of intellectual development and level of academic achievement below that of their peer age group as evidenced by significant deficits in all essential learning processes. Children who are trainable mentally retarded are those whose educational needs cannot be met in a program designed for the educable mentally retarded because of an inability to acquire necessary skills as determined by a substantially reduced rate of intellectual development.

Orthopedically impaired children are those whose physical conditions (s) and/or special health problems result in the need for special provisions for educational purposes. This includes those children with organic, muscular, and neurological conditions affecting motor activities.

Children who are emotionally disturbed, demonstrate one or more of the following characteristics to a marked extent and over a period of time:

(a) An inability to learn which cannot be explained by intellectual, sensory or health factors;

(b) An inability to build or maintain satisfactory interpersonal relationships with peers and teachers;

(c) Inappropriate types of behavior or feeling under normal conditions;

(d) A general, pervasive mood of unhappiness or depression;

(e) A tendency to develop physical symptoms, pains, or fears associated with personal or school problems.

Children with special learning disabilities are those children who exhibit a disorder in one or more of the basic psychological processes involved in understanding or in using spoken or written languages. These may be manifested in disorders of listening, thinking, talking, reading, writing, spelling, or arithmetic. They include conditions which have been referred to as perceptual handicaps, brain injury, minimal brain dysfunction, dyslexia, developmental aphasia, etc. They do not include learning problems which are due primarily to visual, hearing or motor handicaps, to mental retardation, emotional disturbance or to environmental disadvantage.

Speech impaired children are those children who have abnormality of speech which calls adverse attention to itself or interferes with communication which may be related to problems with articulation, rhythm, voice, and/or oral language.

Children who are hearing impaired are those children whose hearing loss (after all necessary medical treatment, surgery, and/or use of hearing aids) significantly restricts benefit from participation in the normal classroom program and a modified instructional program becomes necessary.

Multiple handicapped are those children whose combination of severely handicapping conditions requires extraordinary programs and/or services to meet their particular educational needs.

Children who are legally blind are those who have 20/200 vision or less in the better eye with the best correction.

Children who are partially sighted are those children who have 20/70 vision or less in the better eye after best correction, up to but not including the definition of legal blindness. In some instances an eye doctor may recommend services for a child who has better visual acuity than 20/70.

Parents are requested to seek information from the School Board Office if they suspect their child possesses a handicapping condition and would like to discuss referral for evaluation.

AT THE WEDNESDAY MEETING OF THE Appomattox County School Board, board officers were reorganized for the coming school year. Ruth Webb and Berk Drinkard, third and fourth from left, respectively, were named Chairman and Vice Chairman of the School Board for the coming year. Other School Board members shown in the photo are Robert Stewart and Dr. Al Fratrick.

In your home

Learn to live with safety

By SHIRLEY W. WALTON
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Learning to Live with Safety

SPECIAL NOTE: The information shared below is from the **Personnel Communique**, which is a publication for the Commonwealth of Virginia employees. I found this information to be very valuable and thought you, the reader of Good News, would enjoy having a copy of it.

How do we cope with emergencies? How do we handle our daily safety? Let's look at three areas which we should be more concerned about our safety. Please answer to yourself yes or no as you read the following questions.

AT WORK

1. Do you know where the nearest alarm box is?
2. Do you know where the nearest fire extinguisher is and how to use it?
3. Do you know where the nearest exit is?
4. Could you find the exit from your work station blindfolded?
5. Has the agency had a recent emergency fire drill?

Draw a path of safety from your work station to the nearest alarm box, fire extinguisher and exit. Post this near your work station.

AT HOME

1. Do you have at least one smoke alarm properly installed in your home? (This is an absolute must if you have a wood stove or fireplace.)
2. Have you tested the smoke alarms recently?
3. Do you and your family have an evacuation plan?
4. Do you you have an outside meeting place for a head count?
5. Do you have emergency numbers posted near the telephone?
6. Do you know where the nearest fire box is on your street?
7. Do you have primary and secondary escape routes from your bed in case one is blocked?

Draw primary and secondary escape routes from your bedrooms, showing major obstacles, walls, doors and stairways. Post it near your night stand and inform your children of the same procedure.

WHILE TRAVELING

1. When you check in to a hotel or motel, do you check possible escape routes?
2. Do you count the number of doors to the nearest exit?
3. Do you have an outside meeting place for a head count of your family?

I hope you have taken a few minutes to read the above checklist carefully and sketched the paths that I suggested you draw while at work, at home and traveling. My best to each of you for a good, safe summer.

If you have a homemaking question or problem, you may call us at 352-8244 or write us at P. O. Box 488, Appomattox, Va. 24522. It is always a pleasure to hear from you and to help you.

Have a good week!

RECIPE OF THE WEEK
Fresh Cornbread

1 to 2 ears of fresh corn (1 cup)
1 cup cornmeal
½ cup all-purpose flour
4 teaspoons baking powder
1 Tablespoon sugar
1 Teaspoon salt
1 egg, lightly beaten
¼ cup oil

Cut corn off cob; scrape cob with vegetable peeler to remove pulp. Combine kernels and pulp to make 1 cup, set aside.

Combine dry ingredients; add corn, egg, and oil, stir well. Pour into a greased 9-in. cast iron skillet or a 9-in square baking pan. Bake 475° for 20 to 25 minutes or until brown. You may also use a muffin pan. If so, reduce cooking time 5-7 minutes.

Good News for Homemakers

MRS. RICHARD ROBINSON, immediate past president of the Appomattox Garden Club, is shown presenting a State Life Membership to Mrs. Mildred O'Brien Alvis, honorary member. Mrs. Alvis is a Charter Member of the Garden Club, having joined at the club's inception in 1935. Shown with Messrs. Alvis and Robinson is Mrs. Charles T. Moses, Jr., club member and Second Vice President of the Virginia Federation of Garden Clubs, Inc. A State Life Membership represents a $50 donation to Nature Camp, a youth conservation camp sponsored by the Virginia Federation of Garden Clubs.

BABY OF THE WEEK

SUSAN LILLIAN WILLIAMS, age 21 months, is the daughter of Robert and Diana Williams. Her maternal grandparents are Mrs. Elsie Perkins, Farmville, Va., and Mr. G. C. Dowdy, Silver Springs, Md. Her paternal grandmother is Mrs. Edith Williams and her great-grandmother is Mrs. Sam Megginson, all of Appomattox. She has a brother, Rob, 6 years old.

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A new U.S. Department of Agriculture fact sheet, "How to Save Money with Large Cuts of Meat," tells how to get the most for each meat-buying dollar.

"The brochure explains why buying large cuts of meat is more economical than buying smaller quantities," Virginia Tech Extension food science specialists said.

The fact sheet lists several different cuts to choose from – whole round tip, whole bottom round, whole top round, strip loin, ribeye roll and top sirloin butt. It also gives helpful hints on cutting, cooking, storing and preparing the meat.

"Cutting is much easier when the meat is so cold that ice crystals are beginning to form," said the specialists. "Large cuts, such as chuck blade roast, chuck steaks and round steak will save food dollars and don't need much storage space."

According to the fact sheet, tender meat maintains its quality better when cooked with dry heat – roasted, broiled or fried.

To get a copy of "How to Save Money with Large Cuts of Meat," write: Food Safety and Quality Service, USDA Information Division, Room 2957-S, Washington, D.C. 20250.

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Membership Day set for Coleman & Sons

Report of local elections of Advisory Board Members, Farm Home Advisory Committee members and operations reports will highlight the Southern States Cooperative's membership day for Coleman and Sons, Inc. on July 22. The event will be held at the store and will begin at 1 p.m. The business session is slated to start at 2 p.m.

"The Membership Day," according to manager Ronald Coleman will give patrons and members the opportunity to become better acquainted with our facilities, products and services. The local election is being held prior to the meeting with members voting by mail ballots. Members who have not marked their mail ballot should do so and deposit it in the ballot box prior to the beginning of the meeting, so their vote will be counted. All stockholder members are particularly urged to attend the business session."

B. J. Lucado of Appomattox will serve as chairman of the local meeting.

G. M. Slater of Richmond, a member of Southern States Cooperative's regional staff, will report on the over-all Southern States operations. His report will also include a 12 min. slide-tape presentation entitled "The importance of Being Politically Active", which was produced by the National Council of Farmer Cooperatives. It points out that farmers now represent only about 3 percent of the population and they should exert extra effort to make their voices heard in the halls of government. The presentation urges co-op members to communicate with their legislators and let them know their views about pending legislation.

Theme of the meeting will be, "Involvement: Your Vote for the Future."

There will be special recognition for local board and Farm Home Advisory Committee members who retire this year.

Nominees for the local board are: Roy T. Bennett, George D. Franklin, Concord; John C. Harris, Evergreen, Archer Webb, Appomattox.

Ladies nominated for the Farm Home Advisory Committee are: Mrs. Ted W. Lane, Mrs. Cliff Plunkett, Appomattox; Mrs. C. G. Ranson, Pamplin; Mrs. Kelley O. Stratton, Concord.

The delegate and alternate nominees in Election District F are: Hunt P. Hamilton, B. J. Lucado, Appomattox; Boyd Thompson, Lynchburg.

FHAS "Share A Craft" display will be a feature of the meeting. Members and their families are urged to bring handmade crafts for display.

The following committee chairmen will attend the meeting: Attendance and telephone--Mrs. O. B. Garriss, Appomattox; Greeting and ribbons--Mrs. Frederick L. Thomas, Appomattox; Refreshments--Mrs. Hunt P. Hamilton, Appomattox; Decorating--Mrs. Ronald Coleman, Appomattox.

Homemade ice cream will be served throughout the day.

Teresa Harris accepted

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Teresa Harris has been accepted for the position of Division Manager Trainee for Leggett Stores, Inc. She will be located in Chestertown, Maryland where she will undergo a 52 week training program which will include all phases of store operation as well as supervised buying trips to merchandise markets such as New York, Charlotte, and Atlanta.

Teresa is a 1981 graduate of Longwood College where she received a B.S. degree in Fashion Merchandise. She was also a member of Kappa Delta social sorority, the Home Economics Club, and the volleyball team.

Teresa is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Ralph L. Harris and the granddaughter of Mr. and Mrs. G. D. Childers and the late Mr. and Mrs. Harry H. Harris, all of Appomattox.

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Business News

Market opens

The Farmville area market will be open Saturday from 9 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. and Sunday from 1 p.m. to 5:30 p.m.

The market is located in the New Randolph Tobacco Warehouse on Route 460, three miles west of Farmville.

For further information, contact Hazel Grove at 392-6382.

In 1980, says state

Travel income up

Virginia's travel industry reached a new economic high in 1980, with approximately $3 billion in spending by travelers, according to a study conducted by the U.S. Travel Data Center for the Virginia State Travel Service. The report shows that total travel expenditures in Virginia were an estimated $2,951,000,000, or 15% above the $2,561,000,000 spent in 1979.

"Expenditures by all U.S. travelers to Appomattox County amounted to an estimated $626,000. Of that amount, $7,000 was received in local and $24,000 in State tax receipts. According to the report, 19 jobs in Appomattox were generated by travelers' spending, generating $115,000 in payroll.

"Travel and tourism in Virginia recovered in 1980 from the negative effects of gasoline shortages the year before," said Dr. Douglas C. Frechtling, director of the Travel Data Center in Washington, D.C. "Virginia expended its market share in 1980 because of its wealth of attractions, a service-oriented labor force, and access to a larger and active population concentration."

The report also shows that travel spending accounted for 15 percent of all retail sales in Virginia, with State and local governments collecting $148 million in taxes from travelers. . . up $13 million from 1979. In addition, 83,000 jobs, or 3.9 percent of all non-agricultural workers in Virginia, were directly supported by travel spending.

Of the $2.95 billion spent in Virginia, out-of-state visitors contributed $1.78 billion; Virginians visiting throughout the Commonwealth spent $662 million, and Virginians preparing for out-of-state destinations spent an additional $610 million (purchases such as airline, bus and rail tickets, etc.).

"These estimates are conservative because they include overnight trips and day trips of 100 miles or more away from home taken by U.S. residents," said Dr. Frechtling. "They do not include shorter trips or the impact of the significant numbers of Canadians and other foreign visitors who visited Virginia during 1980," he added.

The economic statistics, prepared annually by the Data Center are based on the firm's Travel Economic Impact Model and continuing National Travel Survey as well as information supplied by the U.S. Census Bureau, Virginia Department of Taxation and other sources.

David Jones promoted

R. David Jones, formerly of Appomattox, has been promoted to assistant director, Criminal Intelligence Division, Bureau of Criminal Investigation, Virginia State Police.

Jones is currently assigned to Hanover County, according to Col. D. M. Slane, department superintendent.

Jones, a native of New York, settled in Virginia after his discharge from the Army and was appointed trooper in 1963. He served his probationary period in Harrisonburg and upon graduation from the State Police Academy was assigned the Williamsburg area.

He served in Appomattox, as well as in Wytheville, Richmond, Culpeper, and, prior to his recent promotion, was Special Agent in Charge of the Criminal Intelligence Division and assigned to Administrative Headquarters.

Jones and his family have for the past five years made their home in the Ashland area.

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